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Addendum

Draft political declaration

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1. At its ____ meeting, on ___ April 2002, the Main Committee approved the following changes to the text of the draft political declaration[1] and recommended them to the Assembly for adoption:

2. Article 1 was revised to read:

> "We, the representatives of Governments meeting at the Second World Assembly on Ageing in Madrid, have decided to adopt an international plan of action on ageing to respond to the opportunities and challenges of population ageing in the twenty-first century and to promote the development of a society for all ages. In the context of the plan of action, we are committed to actions at all levels, including national and international levels, on three priority directions: older persons and development; advancing health and well-being into old age; and ensuring enabling and supportive environments."

3. Article 10 and its alternative text were revised to read:

> "The potential of older persons is a powerful basis for future development. This enables society to rely increasingly on the skills, experience and wisdom of older persons, not only to take the lead in their own betterment but also to participate actively in that of society as a whole."

4. Article 13 was revised to read:

> "We recognize the important role played by families, volunteers, communities, older persons organizations and other community-based organizations in providing support and informal care to older persons in addition to services provided by Governments."

[1] For the text of the draft political declaration, see A/CONF.197/3/Add.1 and 4.

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5. Article 17 was revised to read:

"We invite all people in all countries from every sector of society, individually and collectively, to join in our dedication to a shared vision of equality for persons of all ages."